NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Hamilton Road over Conrail (CSX) Bridge Replacement Hillsborough Township Somerset County, New Jersey

> **Public Information Center** Monday, November 09, 2015, 4 - 7 PM

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT). committed to developing transportation improvements that best balance transportation needs, community concerns, the environment and cost, will hold a Public Information Center to inform local residents, public officials and the business community about the Hamilton Road over Conrail (CSX) Bridge Replacement Project. You are encouraged to actively participate by providing comments at the meeting, by mail, or by e-mail.

The Meeting

The Public Information Center will be held at the Hillsborough Municipal Building in the Multipurpose Room, 379 South Branch Rd, Hillsborough NJ on Monday, November 09, 2015 from 4 - 7 pm. Please plan to attend at a time that is convenient for you. You will have an opportunity to examine design plans, ask questions, and discuss issues with representatives from NJDOT.

Project Need

The purpose of the project is to improve the safety and drivability of the Hamilton Road Bridge over Conrail (CSX). The bridge needs to be replaced due to low structural ratings on the most recent NJDOT bridge inspection report.

The Proposed Project

The proposed improvements include:

- Replacement of the Hamilton Road Bridge over Conrail includina bridge а new deck. superstructure, and substructure and new high impact rated bridge railings and fencing.
- Improved roadway geometry including:
 - Elimination of the existing kink at the bridge
 - Addition of shoulders on the bridge
 - Accommodations for pedestrians
 - Guiderails within the project limits updated
- Consideration for drainage, utility relocation, and Right of Way (ROW)

The CSX railroad tracks located under the proposed Hamilton Road Bridge are within a historic railroad corridor which requires coordination with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO).

Hamilton Road will be closed during construction. A posted detour will divert traffic in the appropriate direction and should have minimal impact on travel time.

Estimated Project Schedule (based on funding availability):

Design: 2016-2017 Construction: 2018

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